IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Storer, et al.

For: Process for the Production of 2'-Branched

Nucleosides

POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE AND EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR(S) UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.71 WITH STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned assignee of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/432,766 and U.S. Patent Application No. 10/735,408 hereby appoints Practitioners of Jones Day associated with Customer Number 20583, which mailing address is Jones Day, 222 East 41st Street, New York, New York 10017, as its attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventors and their attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 3.71

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Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)

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An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent applications identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 02/07/2003 at Reel 013730, Frame 0464.

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